

Governor Janet Napolitano's Veterans Task Force

Location: Executive Tower – 2nd Floor Conference Room

1700 West Washington

Phoenix, AZ 85007

Meeting Date: Nov 30th, 2005

Meeting Time: 1:00 pm

"The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional as to how they perceive the Veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by their nation".... **George Washington**



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Overview — Summary
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Veterans Task Force Summary Poefining the Veteran Veterans in our Society/Population Trend Economic Impact Education

Veterans Task Force Summary Veteran Home in Phoenix and Tucson VA Medical Center – Tucson – Jonathan Gardner Increasing the number of VBC support Overview of State Veteran Cemeteries

Veterans Task Force Summary Briefing – Arizona National Guard and Reserves State Veterans Benefits Comparison Review General Fund Support received by the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services

Veterans Task Force Summary Recommendations for Federal and State levels of legislation Praft the recommendations and set in motion implementation and change

Veterans Task Force Summary The Lord High Sheriff of Maricopa County boasts that he can feed a working dog for \$1.00 a day, I would think that a Veteran who is willing to put his/her body in harms way to protect our freedom is worth \$.75 a month.





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General Fund Appropriation Summary – J. Gary Noviello, CPA

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Operating Budget – FYs 2006 & 2007

FY 2006

FY 2007

<u>Administration</u>		
Director's Office	\$762,556	\$737,700
State Approving Agency	\$360,230	\$364,480
Cemetery	\$260,000	\$256,200
Donation Fund	\$314,500	\$314 ,500
Subtotal Administration	\$1,697,286	\$1,672,880
Veterans' Services	\$978,152	\$945,000
Fiduciary	\$1,134,592	\$1,076,500
Veterans' Home	\$12,213,300	\$11,834,600
Total - Department	\$16,023,330	\$15,528,980

Funding Source – FYs 2006 & 2007

	FY 2006	FY 2007
General Fund	\$2,336,300	\$2,259,000
Conservator Fund	\$677,500	\$634,900
Veterans' Home Trust Fund	\$12,213,300	\$11, <mark>834</mark> ,600
Other Non- Appropriated Funds	\$796,230	\$800,480
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FY 2006 General Fund Appropriations Per Veteran Per Month

Surveyed

All 50 states

25 states responded

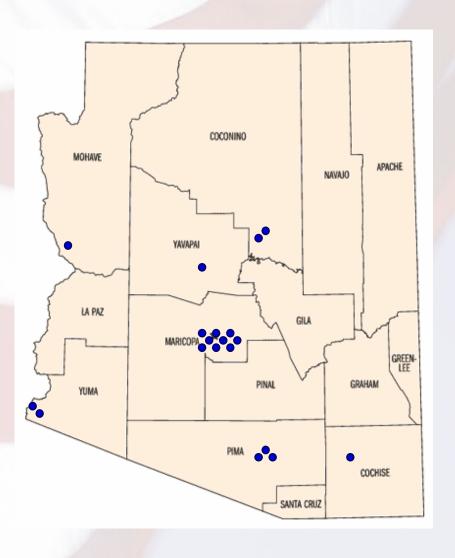
Outliers were MA & OH

23 States' Average \$.84

Arizona \$.32

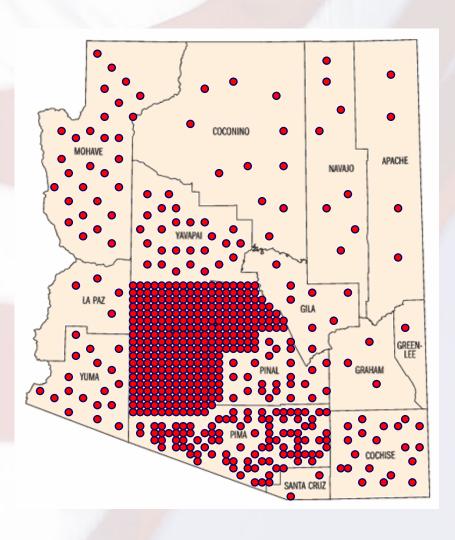
VETERANS' BENEFITS COUNSELORS

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VETERANS IN ARIZONA

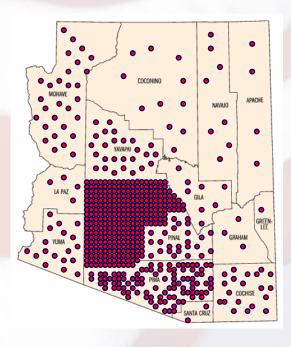
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QUESTIONS?



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